St. Louis’s startup community continues to evolve at a rapid pace.
PREPARED MINDS

When the Class of 1948 invited one of my predecessor deans to its regular dinner meeting about 20 years ago, the dean showed up with a slide show to demonstrate all the wonderful events and programs at SLU LAW … visiting Russian judges, a sentencing workshop where students worked with state judges examining real cases, participation by faculty at international symposia. The dean’s talk was going well until one of the alums raised his hand and asked: “So Dean, do you still teach contracts down there?”

Ah, yes. The basics. We are connected to the real world of lawyering.

This issue features a specific focus on entrepreneurship, which certainly is one of the hottest business topics in St. Louis and the nation. We partner with the highly rated entrepreneurship program at SLU’s John Cook School of Business, with local community organizations and with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, to give our students the experience of solving real problems for real people, to give students the feeling of what it is to be a lawyer, and – importantly – to reinforce the “basics” of the study of law.

SLU LAW’s top-rated health law program has pointed the way for years – a focus on an industry, a route to employment for some students in a robust area of the economy, and opportunities to hone basic lawyering skills in real-world settings. There is a focus that attracts students to our school and attracts employers to hire our highly qualified graduates.

As many of us lawyers know, however, life is what happens while you are making other plans. When I went to law school, back in the Dark Ages, I took multiple courses in business organizations, tax and starred in the course in business planning.

But a career intervened that focused on litigation, kicking a lot of that business planning to the sidelines. Which brings me to the point of what a great modern law school (which we are) does, by offering students the opportunity to focus in a particular area: to be prepared for a career that can take unexpected turns.

Scientists know that many important discoveries occur when researchers were looking for something else; they have a word for it – serendipity. And a catchphrase: chance favors the prepared mind.

I was in a legal services practice in South Dakota years ago when I was invited to interview for a job at SLU. Professor Sandy Sarasohn noted I had done some welfare rights litigation and asked what law school course best prepared me for that. Tax, I replied without hesitation, because it does not matter whether the government is giving you money or taking money from you, it cannot be done without hundreds of pages of regulations that are punctuated without many periods. At the time I did not know that Sarasohn taught tax. Serendipity.

We want our graduates to be prepared for lives of useful service. We want their minds to be prepared for whatever challenges their diverse careers may offer. And to be prepared for a lucky break now and then.

We wish you all great good luck, and we are grateful to you, our alumni and friends, for the help you give our students and your school to prepare our minds for what chance may offer.

MICHAEL A. WOLFF
Dean and Professor

Message from the Dean
ON THE COVER
Fostering an entrepreneurial environment

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CORRECTION: In an article in the last issue of Saint Louis Brief, Billikens on the Bench, Indiana was inadvertently left off a list of states with SLU LAW alumni serving as judges.

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CLINIC EXPANDS WITH PATENT LAW PROGRAM

As part of the Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic, SLU LAW has introduced a new clinical program offering in patent law. The program will provide students with an opportunity to work with a qualified patent attorney on at least one patent per semester. This will give students exposure to the patent prosecution process during their law school experience. This initiative complements the trademark program that began last fall in association with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. SLU LAW is one of 45 schools nationwide and the only regional school to participate. For more on the work of the ECD Clinic and SLU LAW’s entrepreneurship focus, head to page 22.

SLU LAW PARTNERS WITH QUINCY UNIVERSITY FOR 3+3 PROGRAM

In September SLU LAW announced a new partnership with Quincy University on a 3+3 program. This offering gives Quincy University students the ability to apply to SLU LAW during the year they successfully complete three-fourths of the credits leading to a bachelor’s degree. The applicants who then successfully complete one year of SLU LAW’s J.D. program will then satisfy the remaining requirements for a bachelor’s degree at Quincy University.

Quincy students interested in attending SLU LAW must have all the normal requirements for admission to law school, including a qualified grade point average and LSAT score. They will then be considered in comparison with other applicants competing for seats in the given year’s entering class.

SLU LAW RECEIVES GRANT FOR PRELAW PROGRAM

The Law School Admission Council awarded SLU LAW a $300,000 grant to host a DiscoverLaw.org Prelaw Undergraduate Scholars (PLUS) program for three years. PLUS programs are targeted, but not restricted, to students from racial and ethnic minority groups underrepresented in the legal profession.

The SLU LAW PLUS program is designed to recognize and reward students for their demonstrated interest in social justice, and provide them the best opportunity to successfully enter the legal profession. The program will introduce students to the essential skills and competencies of a law student and legal professional; assist them in gaining a broader appreciation for the practice of law, and how to navigate a path to law school; and inspire them by demonstrating how lawyers can use their skills and training to serve their community and bring about social change. This four-week residential program will begin in June 2016 and be led by Lisa Sonia Taylor, SLU LAW’s director of multicultural affairs and outreach.

LEGAL CLINICS WIN APPEAL FOR THE BLIND

After more than a decade of litigation, the Legal Clinics won a multimillion-dollar judgment for recipients of Missouri’s Blind Pension Fund. The Missouri Court of Appeals Western District ruled on Nov. 17 that a circuit judge miscalculated the amount the state owed recipients of the pension fund. As a result, the plaintiffs may be awarded more than $19 million in damages, interest and fees. Every semester for the last 10 years, law students were involved in ongoing litigation, with many traveling to Jefferson City for hearings and depositions. While they learned about the law of the case, they also learned about the adaptations the blind use to navigate society and how beneficial the pensions are to the quality of life for the blind. Once the judgment is final, the Litigation Clinic will serve as the primary contact for the claims process, as well as traveling across the state giving presentations and assisting with the necessary paperwork. For the full story, visit law.slu.edu/sidebar.

HONORS AND DISTINCTIONS

ROEDIGER REAPS REWARDS

Associate Professor Brendan Roediger, supervisor in the Litigation Clinic, earned acclaim on multiple occasions this semester. In August he was awarded the Edna M. Taylor Client Service Award at the Legal Services of Eastern Missouri 2015 For the Common Good Awards. This award is given to an individual who has displayed great commitment to
serving indigent and disadvantaged in our community. The Missouri Bar presented Roediger with a Young Lawyer’s Section Pro Bono Award on Oct. 8, recognizing his hard work and dedication to delivery of legal services to those who cannot otherwise afford it. Additionally, on Oct. 16 the St. Louis Bar Foundation honored him with a Spirit of Justice Award. These awards recognize lawyers, non-lawyers and programs that have demonstrated accomplishment, leadership and integrity to foster and maintain the rule of law, and in facilitating and promoting improvement of the administration of justice.

HANSFORD RECOGNIZED FOR ADVOCACY

Assistant Professor Justin Hansford is the recipient of the 2015 Junior Faculty Teaching Award from the Society of American Law Teachers (SALT). The award recognizes a professor who demonstrates a commitment to justice, equality and academic excellence. SALT commended Hansford’s commitment to advocacy work with African-American men both in the classroom and community, making him an important participant in the struggle for justice.

Hansford spent the Fall 2015 semester in South Africa studying the legal career of Nelson Mandela after receiving a prestigious Fulbright scholarship to support his work. He describes his experience on page 8.

YWCA WOMEN LEADERS

Professor Constance Wagner and Associate Professor Kerrin Kowach were selected by the Saint Louis University Women’s Commission to be honored as 2015 YWCA Leaders in the Workplace for their leadership and contributions at the University. They were honored at the 35th annual luncheon on Dec. 10. The event recognizes working women across St. Louis.

PROFESSOR COHN NAMED LAW LIBRARY DIRECTOR

In November, Professor Erika Cohn was named director of the Vincent C. Immel Law Library. She had been serving as interim director since May 2015. Professor Cohn joined SLU LAW in 2012. She received her J.D. from the University of Illinois College of Law and her M.L.S. from the University of Missouri-Columbia. She is currently pursuing an MBA at SLU.

Cohn teaches Trademark and Unfair Competition Law, International Intellectual Property Law, Intellectual Property Law Research and Advanced Legal Research. She also lectures on copyright issues and specialized legal research topics including transactional drafting research, free and low-cost legal research, and seminar research.

Prior to joining SLU LAW, Cohn was the copyright and digital access librarian at Washington University in St. Louis. She is licensed in Missouri and has previously practiced in the areas of products liability, premises liability, transportation, and insurance law. She is also an active member of the Mid-America Association of Law Libraries.

WATSON HONORED AS GRANTWINNER

Jane and Bruce Robert Professor of Law Sidney Watson was honored by the University’s Office of Research Administration with the Senior Grant winner Award for 2015. This award is given annually to one faculty member on each campus based on scholarly productivity and grant funding. Her grant creates new opportunities for our students and has a direct impact on our community.

GREANEY TESTIFIES BEFORE CONGRESS

Chester A. Myers Professor of Law Tim Greaney testified before a House Judiciary Subcommittee on the mergers of Aetna with Humana and Anthem with Cigna. As co-director of SLU LAW’s Center for Health Law Studies, he provided critical expertise regarding the lack of cost savings for the consumer following a merger.

CONFERENCE, SYMPOSIA AND EVENTS

SLU LAW HOSTS NATIONAL CONFERENCES

The Center for Health Law Studies hosted 200 colleagues at the 38th Annual Health Law Professors Conference June 4-6. Sponsored by the American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics, the event brought some of the top minds in health care law and bioethics education to St. Louis. The program included plenary and concurrent sessions and was designed to provide updates on issues at the forefront of law and medicine and to provide an opportunity to share strategies, ideas and materials.

In September, SLU LAW Legal Writing hosted the annual Central States Legal Writing Conference. Legal writing professors from more than 20 schools attended the two-day event, “Gateway to the Future of Legal Education,” with presenters speaking on a variety of topics including legal communication pedagogy, best practices in the classroom and the changing landscape of legal education.
ALUMNA MARY ANNE SEDZEY RECEIVES DUNSFORD AWARD
The William C. Wefel Center for Employment Law presented the 2015 John E. Dunsford Award for Achievement and Service to the Labor Employment Law Community to Mary Anne Sedey ('75) on Oct. 15. Sedey is a nationally recognized employment attorney who has practiced law in St. Louis for more than 30 years, representing employees in work-related disputes. She is a partner at Sedey Harper Westhoff, P.C.

MILLSTONE LECTURE: REVIVING THE HERO IMAGE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER
The 2015 James C. Millstone Memorial Lecture was presented by Jonathan Rapping (above), founder and president of Gideon’s Promise and associate professor of law and the director of the Honors Program in Criminal Justice at John Marshall Law School on Oct. 22. Rapping presented, “Rewriting the Criminal Justice Narrative: My Faith, My Vote.” Video of Rapping’s lecture can be viewed at law.slu.edu/millstonefall2015.

CHILDRESS LECTURE DISCUSSES RELIGIOUS FREEDOM, SOCIAL JUSTICE AND PUBLIC POLICY
On Nov. 13, Professor Lawrence Sager, of the University of Texas School of Law, presented the Childress Lecture on “Religious Freedom, Social Justice and Public Policy,” asking how recent headline-grabbing clashes, where individuals and groups, insisting their religious beliefs entitle them to disobey laws that others must obey, should be resolved. Additional panels were facilitated by Nelson Tebbe, professor of law at Brooklyn Law School; Christopher Lund, associate professor at Wayne State University Law School; Elizabeth Sepper, associate professor of law at Washington University School of Law; Jessie Hill, associate dean and professor of law at Case Western Reserve School of Law; and SLU LAW’s Callis Family Professor of Law Matt Bodie and Associate Professor Jeff Redding.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT
The SLU LAW National Moot Court team of (from left) Patricia Beckerle, Emily Roman and Madalyn Enzmann, coached by Dan Schramm, won the regional National Moot Court Competition that took place Nov. 13 and 14. The team heads to New York to represent SLU LAW in the national finals in February. They also won best brief, and Patricia Beckerle was named best oralist.
The Vincent C. Immel Law Library hosted “Going Beyond Google” a research expo showcasing and explaining all the research tools available to the School of Law community. Vendors from Bloomberg, LexisNexis, the St. Louis Public Library and others were on hand to highlight their services.

Here’s what Twitter’s been saying about SLU Law:

@Juristat
We’re at @SLULAW’s non-trad career fair today. Fitting that the Billiken patent was filed on this day in 1908.

@mobarnews
Moderated by @SLULAW Dean Mike Wolff, a diverse panel discusses civil rights progress, challenges and the road ahead. #MoBarMeet15

@Polsinelli
Congratulations Doreen Dodson as an inaugural member of the Order of the Fleur de Lis from @SLULAW

@katrinajunelee
Many thanks to @SLULAW Chris Rollins @ksanner et al for hosting Central States #legalwriting conference! #LWI

@slulawlibrary
New sign for the newly-named Eileen H. Searls Reading Room. Love it! #SLULAW

@Quincy_U
We’re very excited about this new partnership with @SLULAW. Earn your undergrad and J.D. degrees in six years: http://ow.ly/SCG8v

@Ukikelly
Off to @USAmbIreland for a reception to mark the visit of our @SLULAW colleagues to Ireland. Looking forward to seeing @LawUCC alumni too.

Get in on the conversation and follow SLU LAW on Twitter and Instagram for announcements, photos, live tweeting of events and more!
A SNAPSHOT OF THE FALL 2015 INCOMING CLASS

20 STATES REPRESENTED
AK, AL, AR, CA, CO, FL, IL, IN, KS, MA, ME, MI, MO, MS, NV, OH, PA, SC, TN, TX
170 STUDENTS ENROLLED

- 52% MALE
- 48% FEMALE
- 20.6% MINORITY
- 85.3% FULL-TIME
- 14.7% PART-TIME

155 MEDIAN LSAT SCORE (75TH TO 25TH PERCENTILE: 158-152)
3.44 MEDIAN GPA (75TH TO 25TH PERCENTILE: 3.66-3.17)

75 UNDERGRADUATE INSTITUTIONS REPRESENTED

80% OF STUDENTS RECEIVED A MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIP

FULL-TUITION SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED
“You’ve been given access to some very rare information. It’s important that you make sure this conversation was worthwhile. Don’t allow all of this to have been a waste of time.”

These words were spoken to me by the anti-apartheid activist Ahmed Kathrada during a two-hour interview inside of his home. In 1964, Kathrada was sentenced to life imprisonment along with his co-defendant Nelson Mandela. For most of the following 27 years, Kathrada spent many long, cold days on Robben Island, the maximum security prison off the coast of Cape Town, lifting a sledge hammer alongside Mandela in the prison rock quarry. Kathrada shared with me stories from their time together, ruminating on how Mandela’s life in the law played a role in his journey from apartheid prisoner to president in a free and democratic South Africa.

Throughout my career in the legal academy, I have been most inspired by studying and teaching about the intellectual and ethical contours of social change agents and their histories. When Mandela passed away in December of 2013, he was perhaps the most admired man in the world. However, few biographers have given adequate consideration to Mandela’s legal career. There was a formidable legal mind at work behind his history making achievements, and Mandela’s mastery of the lawyer’s art is what enabled him to build a case that changed the world.

During six months in 2015, I conducted interviews and reviewed primary documentation in a continuing effort to uncover hitherto unknown details about Mandela’s legal career. I believe that understanding how Nelson Mandela’s legal vocation affected his life’s story can ultimately inspire generations of lawyers to more vigorously pursue social change, legal reform, human rights and democracy.

The institution that kindly hosted my Fulbright research, the University of the Witwatersrand School of Law, was also the law school Mandela attended during the 1940s before he qualified as an attorney in 1951. Mandela studied under the tutelage of School of Law Dean H.R. Hahlo, an apartheid supporter who outspokenly asserted that Africans were unsuited to become lawyers. Although Mandela did not graduate from that legal
program, he could still practice law under the rules of the time in South Africa, and he became a member of the bar in 1952. Along with fellow racial justice advocate Oliver Tambo, Mandela opened the first black law firm in South African history, Mandela & Tambo Attorneys. Even during his incarceration, Mandela stayed intellectually active, requesting law review articles and fighting to get access to legal textbooks so he could study to obtain an advanced law degree upon his exit from prison 27 years later. His hope was fulfilled in 1989, when he was awarded his LL.B. from the University of South Africa.

In spite of the importance of the law to Mandela, none of his biographers has uncovered much information about his law practice. During my short time in South Africa, I was able to dig into the archives and uncover never before seen cases argued by Mandela. I interviewed Mandela’s own lawyers George Bizos and Joel Joffe; Deputy Chief Justice of the Constitutional Court Dikgang Moseneke, who was mentored by Mandela as a fellow prisoner on Robben Island and worked closely with him throughout the transition from apartheid; and many others. From this initial research, I must conclude that his fight against apartheid found inspiration in the decidedly legal ideals of human rights, constitutional democracy, and equal justice under law, and these ideas, along with his commitment to racial justice, animated his activism.

I think often about Kathrada’s charge. He has pushed me to consider the Fulbright to be only the first step, and much work remains to be done on this project. I hope to finish a book on Mandela’s time as a lawyer and eventually a documentary, capturing the voices of those who knew him during that time, and disseminating their perspectives widely. I hope I can return to South Africa in 2016, finish this project and fulfill the promise I made to Mandela’s close friend.

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\textbf{“WHEN I DIE DUBLIN WILL BE WRITTEN IN MY HEART.”}

\textit{SLU LAW TRAVELS TO DUBLIN}

\textbf{BY WILLIAM P. JOHNSON}

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR OF THE CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL AND COMPARATIVE LAW

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In September 2015, more than 20 Saint Louis University School of Law alumni and friends based in the United States and more than 15 alumni and friends located in Ireland, France and the United Kingdom gathered in Dublin, Ireland, for an outstanding, first-of-its-kind, four-day networking event and educational program organized by SLU LAW. The primary purpose of the event was to accept an invitation to visit Dublin that was kindly extended to the law school by the HONORABLE KEVIN F. O’MALLEY, Ambassador of the United States of America to Ireland (and SLU LAW alumnus). It was also a tremendous opportunity for internationally-minded SLU LAW alumni and friends to come together and get to know colleagues practicing law and pursuing other law-related interests in jurisdictions on both sides of the Atlantic.
ASSISTING AN AMBASSADOR

O’Malley (A.B. ’70, Law ’73) was nominated by President Obama in June 2014 to be the 31st U.S. Ambassador to Ireland. After a comprehensive vetting process that lasted more than three months, he was confirmed by the U.S. Senate in September and sworn in as ambassador on Sept. 30, 2014.

He and his wife, Dena, traveled promptly to Dublin so he could fill the vacant post. Ambassador O’Malley presented his credentials to President of Ireland Michael D. Higgins on Oct. 8, 2014.

At the time of his nomination, O’Malley was a highly regarded, successful trial lawyer practicing in St. Louis. The grandson of Irish immigrants, O’Malley grew up steeped in the Irish and Irish-American experience. He was deeply aware of the important historic, economic and cultural ties between Ireland and the United States, and he was very familiar with Irish communities, the richness of Irish culture and the strong Irish faith tradition. But he recognized that he knew only little of Irish law, Irish legal education and the Irish law practice community. As a practicing U.S. lawyer, he made the decision that he would arrive in Ireland armed with some understanding of the Irish legal tradition. To that end, he contacted his friend Dean Michael Wolff, who put O’Malley in touch with faculty members of the Center for International and Comparative Law familiar with Irish law and the Irish legal community.

When meeting with SLU LAW faculty to explore the Irish legal tradition, O’Malley made it clear that he would continue to be a friend and resource to SLU LAW, to the extent appropriate in his new role. He indicated specifically that he would be pleased to host a gathering in Dublin of alumni and others affiliated with the law school. Naturally, that was an exciting and very welcome invitation, which we were eager to accept. The planning commenced shortly thereafter and culminated with an outstanding four-day event in Dublin one year later.

A UNIQUE IRISH EXCURSION

The trip allowed alumni and other friends of SLU LAW to engage with the very highest levels of the Irish bench and bar, as well as the Irish legal academy. A highlight included a private tour of the historic Green Street Courthouse, led by Mr. Justice John MacMenamin, a current judge of the Irish Supreme Court. Justice MacMenamin is a warm and affable fellow and an impressive historian, as well as an accomplished jurist. He delivered a lecture in the courtroom of the historic Green Street Courthouse on the fascinating and troubling history of the courthouse and its place in the ultimately successful quest for Irish independence. He then led a private tour of the courthouse, which included visits to the lower-level cells where Irish patriots had been held. It was a rare look into Ireland’s difficult history - and a powerful experience.

After the Green Street Courthouse, Justice MacMenamin also arranged for us to have an exclusive look at the private library of the Honorable Society of King’s Inns and to enjoy a meal in its impressive Dining Hall. Founded in 1541, the Honorable Society of King’s Inns is the institution where barristers - those lawyers who appear before the courts, wearing black robes and powdered wigs - receive their final training prior to entry into law practice. The library is not open to the public, and it contains numerous ancient manuscripts, including the second folio of Shakespeare’s plays.

After the rich experience with some of Dublin’s impressive public legal institutions, the group got an opportunity to engage with the private law practice community as well. Specifically, through an invitation to spend time visiting two first-class Irish business law firms, group participants had the opportunity to get to know some of Ireland’s excellent solicitors.

First, Dillon Eustace hosted an extraordinarily warm Welcome Reception on Friday evening on its top floor, to end our first full day in Dublin. With offices in Dublin, the Cayman Islands, Hong Kong, New York and Tokyo, Dillon Eustace is a full-service business law firm with recognized excellence in numerous practice areas.
Offering an excellent example of the strong Irish tradition of hospitality and generosity, our welcome, deftly organized by partner John O’Riordan, was positively delightful. The entire reception was a hit, but a peaceful live performance by an accomplished Irish harpist was an especially lovely and surprising touch. Special thanks for the hospitality we received from Dillon Eustace are due to Kieran Cowhey, a senior partner at Dillon Eustace, a tremendous Irish litigator, and a distinguished leader of the American Bar Association Section of International Law.

Second, Mason Hayes & Curran served as host for our CLE programming, as well as for the excellent luncheon talk given by Ambassador O’Malley. Mason Hayes & Curran is a top-tier firm in Ireland that offers the full range of legal services to its business clients. The first CLE program was a talk on the obscenity trials of James Joyce’s seminal work, Ulysses. The second program was on the ethics of transnational law practice and was the result of collaboration by SLU LAW, Mason Hayes & Curran and our good friends at University College Cork. Micheál Grace, a partner with Mason Hayes & Curran and an alumnus of the SLU LAW J.D. exchange program with University College Cork, played the role of absolutely perfect host for our group – representing Mason Hayes & Curran, SLU LAW and his Irish alma mater, University College Cork, exceptionally well in the process.

Of course, the four-day event included cultural outings, recreation and entertainment as well. It wouldn’t be proper to organize an event in Dublin without affording opportunities to lift a pint (or two) of Dublin’s most famous product. Many of us found ourselves enjoying live music and Irish beverages that, together, readily took the chill out of the Dublin nighttime air. As a group, we also enjoyed a traditional literary pub crawl, as well as a guided tour of the sensational Guinness Storehouse, the top floor of which arguably offers the best views of Dublin on a sunny day. And as with so many aspects of this trip, we were in luck: the sun was shining in Dublin!

The highlight of the four-day event was a fabulous reception at the stunning Ambassador’s Residence located in Phoenix Park, a vast, beautiful, urban park in the heart of Dublin. Nearly 50 SLU LAW alumni, faculty, administrators and friends gathered with a roughly equal number of the highest-level Irish barristers, solicitors, judges, law professors and public officials for a two-hour event that was utterly spectacular. The ambassador led tours of his beautiful home, while current students, new lawyers and
seasoned, distinguished lawyers and jurists alike mingled with one another and with the most distinguished representatives of the Irish bench and bar. And as the sometimes temperamental Irish weather smiled on the reception, the guests explored the beautiful grounds of Phoenix Park that currently make up Ambassador O’Malley’s backyard. It was a truly special and memorable evening.

There is something special about Dublin. A visit to Dublin leaves an indelible mark on the spirit. In my view, those of us who had the good fortune to travel to Dublin and to participate in this SLU LAW event understand now so much more clearly the words of James Joyce when he said, “When I die Dublin will be written in my heart.” I think it is safe to say that, upon taking our leave of this wonderful city, Dublin was written in our hearts as well.

Because Dublin is such a special place and the event was such a rare opportunity, it would be a pity to make this a one-time occurrence. I am therefore delighted that, thanks to Ambassador O’Malley’s kind invitation, we will return to Dublin in October 2016 for a second SLU LAW alumni networking event! The 2016 Dublin event will take place over a four-day period from October 19 through October 22. Please join us, network with your fellow alumni, engage with Ambassador O’Malley, and experience this moving city. You will be very glad you did.
SLU LAW and University College Cork (UCC) have built a successful partnership spanning 15 years and 3,800 miles. With student exchanges and faculty collaborations, the two institutions have worked together to expand each other’s global reach.

Originally founded in 1845 as Queen’s College Cork, UCC is one of Ireland’s oldest institutions of higher education. Ranked in the top two percent of universities worldwide, in 2015 UCC was named The Sunday Times University of the Year for a record-breaking fourth time.

The School of Law, which is highly ranked internationally, is one of the original faculties of the university and is based in Áras na Laoi. There are currently 38 full-time academic staff and approximately 600 students, and the School has a well-established international student exchange program. The School offers a range of LL.M. programs with specializations in areas such as Business Law; Child and Family Law; Criminal Justice; Intellectual Property and E-Law; and International Human Rights Law. The Centre for Criminal Justice and Human Rights was established in 2006 and there are several other research groupings within the School such as the Constitutional
Project at UCC, the Child Law Clinic, the Environmental Law Group, the Law and Language Interest Group, and the Gender, Law and Sexuality Initiative.

The strong relationship with UCC is one of several international programs administered by the Center for International and Comparative Law at SLU LAW. The Center offers students a robust curriculum in international and comparative law courses, valuable research and internship opportunities outside the United States, meaningful access to dedicated faculty and staff and, of course, excellent study abroad opportunities. The first class of UCC students arrived in St. Louis during the 2000-01 school year. Since then, 24 students have crossed the pond to study at SLU LAW for a year. Similarly, 29 SLU LAW students have spent a semester at Cork.

We caught up with past exchange students, as well as a SLU LAW alumnus now practicing in Ireland, to discuss their experiences at SLU LAW and how it shaped their careers.

**CLARE BROSNAN**
(UCC EXCHANGE STUDENT ’00-01)
FIRST SECRETARY AT THE IRISH FOREIGN MINISTRY

**WHY DID YOU STUDY ABROAD AT SLU LAW?**

I was lucky enough to be in the first “trial” run of the exchange programme. I was always fascinated by U.S. politics and constitutional and rights history and tradition in America. Irvin and Maggie Dagen were the catalysts for the programme, and I am delighted to see that it is thriving.

**WHAT DID YOU LEARN AT SLU LAW THAT YOU HAVE FOUND USEFUL IN YOUR CAREER?**

Studying international law, human rights and employment related topics provided me with a solid intellectual basis for my career path outside the law. In the Irish Foreign Ministry, as diplomats, we are generalists, which allows for great variety. My roles have included working in Palestine, human resources, and for the last few years, as Head of Press & Information at the Irish Embassy in London. Legal training is invaluable in dealing with the media! It is also true to say that my year at SLU taught me that I was well suited to traveling and working in new situations and with new people – ideal for a diplomat. Meeting lecturers who had pursued other careers, including at the UN and State Department, were great examples of alternative careers for me.

**WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR FONDEST MEMORIES OF YOUR TIME IN ST. LOUIS?**

The warmth and friendship extended by the St. Louis community and particularly at SLU has stuck with me, and I was reminded of this during the fantastic alumni trip to Dublin. Nan Kaufman, Maggie Dagen, the International Law Students Association crew and many others ensured that it was much more than just a great experience in the lecture halls. Being in St. Louis gave me an even greater interest in U.S. politics – it was during the hanging chad presidential elections! I also enjoyed plenty of extracurricular fun including acting in a few plays, and my first serious snowball fight when a spectacular snowstorm took hold of the city.

**SIOBHÁN KIRRANE**
(UCC EXCHANGE STUDENT ’02-03)
SENIOR LAWYER FOR THE CENTRAL BANK OF IRELAND

**WHERE DO YOU CURRENTLY WORK?**

After spending six years at A&L Goodbody (a corporate law firm headquartered in Ireland), and short stints in the legal departments of IBM and GE, I moved to the Central Bank of Ireland in 2012, at the height of the financial crisis. It was a time when Ireland was striving to get back on the path towards financial stability, and I was involved in the creation of the new Enforcement Division, which was responsible for investigating and bringing cases against banks, insurance companies and other regulated entities. Eighteen months later, I was asked to move to the Special Resolution Unit to lead the first transfer and liquidation cases of failed credit institutions. These cases took place against a backdrop of IMF negotiations in Ireland, and the successful resolution of these cases was considered important for Ireland’s financial stability. I’m pretty proud that these cases were successfully resolved without any depositors losing money. We still have a long way to go, especially for the neediest in our society, but Ireland is definitely on the road to recovery.

**WHAT DID YOU LEARN AT SLU LAW THAT YOU HAVE FOUND USEFUL IN YOUR CAREER?**

I worked with John Ammann and Sue McGraugh in the Legal Clinics, and I learned what it felt like to do a job that really matters, one that made a positive impact on my environment. I’m forever grateful for that lesson. It’s easy to forget how important this is, to be swept up in our own problems, in our career or 9-5, with “getting ahead,” but whenever I think of the Clinics I’m dragged back to earth with a bang. And that’s a good thing.

Some of the classes I took at SLU LAW definitely helped to shape my career. I took a seminar in white collar crime with Judge Terry
Adelman and Jim Crowe around the time of Enron and Worldcom. Later, this became one of my areas of specialisation at A&L Goodbody, and my interest in this field was a big part of my decision to join the Central Bank.

Another area I specialised in was international arbitration, to which I was first introduced in Professor Tonic Fitzgibbon's class. Constitutional Law II with Professor Joel Goldstein was one of the most interesting classes I took while at SLU LAW. Professor Goldstein was just fantastic in how he stimulated discussion and encouraged different viewpoints. What I learned in that class enabled me to win many arguments with Americans about the rights and wrongs of decisions made in their Supreme Court.

**WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR FONDEST MEMORIES OF YOUR TIME IN ST. LOUIS?**

The work that was done in the Clinics and the energy and enthusiasm that accompanied it was inspiring, and I feel privileged to have been part of it. John Amman was a born leader and an amazing boss. When I have had to make tough decisions in my career I often asked myself, “What would John do?” I was delighted to get a job working full time in the Clinics over the summer, and supervising law students, which was a great experience – especially considering I was only 21 at the time!

The professors at SLU were really fantastic and I will always be grateful to the long list. The kindness of strangers who became friends was immense. I love extending a similar level of kindness to SLU alumni visiting Ireland, and it was wonderful to be able to meet so many fantastic SLU LAW alumni and staff during the recent trip to Dublin. I am also very proud the U.S. Ambassador to Ireland is a fellow SLU alumnus, and it was an honor to spend the evening at his Irish home surrounded by friends, both new and old, from SLU LAW.

Leaving aside what I learned academically, the best memories I have of SLU LAW are without a doubt the people I met, many of whom I'm still in close contact with and see regularly. I formed lasting friendships as the captain of the law school co-ed soccer team (I was good at organising people but terrible at playing!) and being part of the law school team that traveled to the National Law School Softball Championships in Charlottesville, Virginia. By the way, it was in Charlottesville that a not-so-soft softball hit me in the face and I ended up with a swollen jaw and eight stitches! Talk about false advertising! Being hit with that softball was a low point in a year filled almost exclusively with highs.

**WHY DID YOU CHOOSE SLU LAW?**

When asked, during a property law class in UCC, on a cold, wet, grey and miserable January morning, it was readily apparent that anywhere else would be better, so my hand shot up without probably knowing where to find St. Louis on a map! Of course, the more I learned of St. Louis and SLU LAW as I went through the selection process, the more determined I became to become a part of this great University.

**WHAT DID YOU LEARN AT SLU LAW THAT YOU HAVE FOUND USEFUL IN YOUR CAREER?**

The importance of being prepared and meeting deadlines and relying on – and trusting – your own initiative. The teaching of law in Ireland is a little different to the methodology used in the U.S., generally. Being dropped from an undergraduate environment into the white hot head of the Socratic method, and the notion that you had to study and understand material before going to the lecture where you would be met by a barrage of questions, was a shock to the system, but one that really equipped me for real life situations. I am a transactional lawyer, and I have to be ready before going into negotiation or presentation situations all of the time.

**WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR FONDEST MEMORIES OF YOUR TIME IN ST. LOUIS?**

Playing rugby with SLU and meeting a variety of undergrads through playing rugby with them (as well as surreptitiously discovering the inside of the Griesedeck Hall dormitory complex on occasion), smoking a Dunhill cigarette with Professor Joe Rohlik in his office (can you imagine doing that today?)! A minor crime that we both enjoyed – anyone who was there will remember the ‘humorous’ gravestone ashrayl!), discussing the future of my career with Nan Kaufman and meeting Maggie Dagen.
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SLU LAW sits in the midst of an entrepreneurial revolution, with faculty and students playing a role in the city’s growth.

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FOSTERING AN ENTREPRENEURIAL ENVIRONMENT

(from left to right) Associate Professor PATRICIA H. LEE, Associate Professor DANA M. MALKUS, Professor MICHAEL KORYBUT and Professor ANN M. SCARLETT at T-REX, a coworking space and technology incubator in downtown St. Louis.
IT COULD BE CALLED A REVOLUTION. St. Louis’ startup community continues to evolve at a rapid pace. Gaining national recognition, exhibited by bringing big-name technology companies like Square and Pandora to the region, there is no denying the growth and success the city is experiencing as a result of this developing industry. But if it is a revolution, it is definitely one that Professor Michael Korybut saw coming. The business transactions professor had a notion years ago Saint Louis University School of Law would play an important role in the growth of the St. Louis ecosystem.

“St. Louis is a city that has a rapidly developing national reputation as a good place to come as an entrepreneur,” said Korybut. “Organizations like Arch Grants, which hosts a local business plan competition, and companies like CIC [Cambridge Innovation Center] are voting with their feet and establishing a presence here, making it an exciting time to be in St. Louis and at SLU LAW. With our move downtown and our partnership with Arch Grants, all of these synergies lined up to put us in the center of it all.”

Thanks to its new location, the law school is uniquely positioned to be a player in the startup industry through programming for startups and by graduating students with a background and drive that will make for successful entrepreneurs. To this end, in true entrepreneurship fashion, Professor Korybut and adjunct professor Sanjay Jain, himself a successful entrepreneur, created a course, Legal Strategies for Startups, that provides local entrepreneurs with the legal knowledge necessary for successful company growth (see sidebar, page 24). Korybut believes the course compliments other established programs at SLU LAW and the University, such as the law school’s nationally-recognized clinical program and the John Cook School of Business’ nationally-recognized Center for Entrepreneurship.

Besides the Legal Strategies for Startups course for local entrepreneurs, with the guidance of an alumni advisory board (see sidebar, page 24), Korybut worked together with Professor Ann Scarlett to develop an entrepreneurship law focus area for law students. The coursework offers students the opportunity to concentrate their studies on the complex and varied legal concepts that impact entrepreneurial ventures and to participate in courses that focus on the skills needed to represent entrepreneurs. The concept focuses on the idea that although entrepreneurship may involve starting a business or running a small business, the term encompasses an extensive array of risk-taking and innovative endeavors. Entrepreneurs and entrepreneurial ventures present unique substantive legal issues and relationship challenges that are not always experienced when representing corporations or well-established business entities.

“We have had a lot of interest and student demand in the new Entrepreneurship Law class,” said Scarlett. “Students get an opportunity to think through real issues from drafting and reviewing documents, starting a business all the way through the exit.”

Scarlett is teaching the core class, Entrepreneurship Law.

“One of our goals with the class is to show them you can have a regular law practice and see opportunities where you can become an entrepreneur,” she said.

According to Scarlett, students in the class have a wide variety of interests. Some are entrepreneurs themselves, some have been in the past, while others want to work with startups or in a law firm and represent small businesses.

In December 2015, SLU LAW graduated the first student with a focus in Entrepreneurship Law. Several more are expected to earn that focus in May 2016.

CLINICAL PROGRAM
Entrepreneurship is not something new to the law school. Under the tutelage of SLU LAW Legal Clinics Director and Associate Professor Patricia H. Lee, the Legal Clinics expanded the clinical offering to focus on the startup community, adding an intellectual property section to the Entrepreneurship and Community Development Clinic (ECD).

The ECD Clinic provides students with a broad range of transactional and administrative representation to entrepreneurs, nonprofits, community groups and small businesses on a variety of matters. After her arrival in 2014, Lee quickly worked to establish a partnership with Arch Grants, T-REX and Capital Innovators.

A recent article in Popular Mechanics named St. Louis as the top startup city in the US. This sentiment has been reflected across the city’s ecosystem as companies like Square, Pandora and Uber join the other major players in this growing industry. To date, there are 15 different entities, including Arch Grants and Saint Louis University, who support local entrepreneurship.
BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP LAW ADVISORY BOARD

Our alumni are one of our greatest resources at SLU LAW. The following people have volunteered to guide the development and growth of our entrepreneurship program as part of the Business and Entrepreneurship Law Advisory Board:

MARIQUITA BARBIERI (’03) – Carmody MacDonald P.C.
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Founded in 2011, Arch Grants is a nonprofit organization that accelerates economic development and community revitalization by providing $50,000 equity-free grants and pro bono support services to entrepreneurs who locate their early-stage businesses in St. Louis. Through the Global Startup Competition, Arch Grants retains and attracts entrepreneurs to the region. SLU LAW partnered with Arch Grants to provide grantee companies with the legal background necessary to grow and maintain a successful startup. The annual “Legal Strategies for Startups” is a six-week course designed with the guidance of adjunct professor Sanjay Jain. The course covers the life cycle of an average startup company, including all major legal and business issues that typically affect a startup company.

“We have received overwhelming feedback from Arch Grants entrepreneurs that the SLU Legal Strategies Course is very helpful,” says Ben Burke, director of entrepreneurship at Arch Grants. “This is especially important ... because these entrepreneurs span various experience levels, stages of business and industries. The value of the information is real, and is being put to use in real-time.”

The program has been so successful it has since been expanded to include Prosper, an organization focused on women entrepreneurs. It is expected to continue to grow over the next year in order to meet the market demands.
### Legal Clinics Assist Entrepreneurs in 2015

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As a young girl growing up in Lebanon, Illinois, Sara Stock (’02) experienced at an early age the power of an entrepreneurial spirit. Watching her parents struggle to grow their trucking company solidified Stock’s desire to become a lawyer in order to help other businesses succeed and avoid the pitfalls and challenges many companies face.

She got her start at SLU LAW, pursuing a joint J.D./MBA degree with her eyes set on joining one of St. Louis’ big law firms and passionately representing those small to medium-sized firms she grew up surrounded by. Stock was on a path to success, rising to an equity partner at Lewis Rice. However, she realized a challenge her clients faced with the large firm fee structure. After more than a decade at Lewis Rice, Stock made the difficult decision to set out on her own with Javad Khazaeli and James Wyrsch to start KWS Law in November 2014, a self-described “start up” local law firm geared to the unique needs of new and growing businesses. 

Now an entrepreneur in her own right, Stock quickly recognized the importance and value of her well-established network.

“When I made the decision to leave Lewis Rice, all of the social equity that I built over the last 13 years provided a huge return on my investment,” she said. “I am so grateful to my network for sending me amazing clients, making spectacular introductions, educating me on administrative processes, etc. We now have a deep bench of like-minded service providers in a number of areas such as accounting, financial planning, securities, and estate planning that we regularly partner with to allow us to provide exceptional service to our mutual clients.”

The assistance received from area service providers allowed KWS Law to grow into a
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firm with more than 200 clients during the last year, primarily in the areas of corporate, commercial real estate, commercial litigation and immigration. Additionally, it hired four new attorneys and will be adding a corporate associate in early 2016.

In true entrepreneurial spirit, Stock provides counsel outside of her firm by volunteering her expertise to SLU LAW as a member of the Business and Entrepreneurship Law Advisory Board (see sidebar page 24). “I am excited to be a part of involving SLU with the St. Louis entrepreneurial ecosystem, and I love the opportunity to give back and be a part of shaping the next generation of lawyers.”

In the following Q&A, Stock gives Saint Louis Brief a glimpse inside the life of an entrepreneur, the benefits of a dual degree and the thrill of St. Louis’ start-up community.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PART OF YOUR JOB?
The flexibility. Any day of the week you can find me working from home, my offices in the T-REX, Park Avenue Coffee, Kaldi’s, Foundation Grounds or the soccer field. Our office is essentially paperless, and that means all I need to work is my MacBook Air and an internet connection.

WHAT DO YOU ENJOY ABOUT HAVING YOUR OWN FIRM?
We at KWS Law have the best clients. I cannot express in words how grateful I am to our clients. They are amazing human beings out there doing disruptive, innovative, incredibly exciting things that could change the world. They are all either growing businesses, buying business or selling businesses. We are so incredibly appreciative of their business and are thrilled at the opportunity to grow with these clients in the coming years.

HOW HAS YOUR J.D./MBA DUAL DEGREE BEEN AN ASSET FOR YOU?
I am called on regularly by a number of my clients to act as external general counsel. In that role, I often give not just legal advice, but weigh in on a number of business issues. When I do give legal advice, it is legal advice that is colored with a strong business background. In addition to my MBA, I regularly assist my family with our family business, and I worked shoulder to shoulder with my husband as he started his long term care pharmacy, EverSpring, LLC. We have grown that business from its inception in 2008 to over 50 employees today. Additionally, I sit on the management committee for one of our KWS Law clients providing operations, business development and general business advice, and on a number of boards for organizations like the YWCA and Commercial Real Estate Women of St. Louis. All of that experience and education translates into solid business advice that pares well with the 13 years of big law firm experience that I bring to the table.

WHAT EXCITES YOU ABOUT THE START-UP COMMUNITY IN ST. LOUIS?
We are thrilled to be a part of the wave. It really is true: a rising tide lifts all boats. Startups are vital to the St Louis economy. Large companies are leaving (or have left) St. Louis or are shrinking their presence here. To survive, St. Louis needs to replace those vital economic players. The growth in the St. Louis startup space provides opportunities to create the next generation of large economic players in the St. Louis region. St. Louis has really come together to support the startup scene, and is already seeing the fruits of those labors.

HOW CAN LAWYERS – YOUNG AND OLD – HELP WITH THE “MOVEMENT?”
These companies need well-trained support. The young lawyers are excited and ready to jump in, but are not yet well-trained. The seasoned lawyers are well-trained, but are often unable to give a lot of time. I think a great way to bring those groups together is at the law clinics. If the clinics could bring in students, young lawyers and seasoned lawyers, paring them together to guide the very early stage start-ups, it would provide a great combination of expertise and work power to provide very early stage start-ups with the legal advice they need to get started.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO GIVE BACK?
I would not be where I am today without the help and support of hundreds of people. I am so grateful for all of the support I have received and opportunities presented to me. I want to pay that forward in every way I possibly can, especially when it comes to supporting growing businesses.

“The growth in the St. Louis startup space provides opportunities to create the next generation of large economic players in the St. Louis region.”
On Sept. 25, 2015 Saint Louis University School of Law bestowed its highest honor on 14 men and women as members of the inaugural class of the Order of the Fleur de Lis Hall of Fame.

As a Catholic, Jesuit university, Saint Louis University’s mission is the pursuit of truth for the greater glory of God and for the service of humanity. Through their professional successes and significant contributions to the community, these individuals have brought honor to both Saint Louis University and SLU LAW by demonstrating the University mission and Jesuit spirit.

The evening provided a wonderful opportunity to celebrate what a special community we are all a part of, and this will surely serve as an exceptional new SLU LAW tradition. These honorees certainly set the bar high and will serve as aspirational examples for all who serve as men and women for others.
JOHN (JACK) M. BRAY
CLASS OF 1962
Bray is of counsel at the law firm King & Spalding in Washington, D.C. where he is a senior member of the Washington trial bar. He has tried cases in federal district courts for more than 50 years and is an accomplished litigator. He is a former University trustee.

THE HON. KATHIANNE KNAUP CRANE
CLASS OF 1971
A former U.S. assistant attorney, Crane was the first woman to serve as chief judge of the Missouri Court of Appeals for the Eastern District. She spent 23 years on the bench before retiring and worked to make clerkship opportunities broadly available for recent graduates.

IRVIN & MAGGIE DAGEN*
CLASS OF 1954 (IRVIN)
Leaders in the civil rights movement in St. Louis and generous supporters of SLU LAW, they established a fellowship that provides summer stipends to students working in unpaid public interest and public service work. Thousands of students have benefited from their generosity, and thousands more in the community have benefited from the work of those students.

DOREEN D. DODSON
CLASS OF 1974
An outstanding lawyer and public servant, Dodson was the first woman president of The Missouri Bar. Among her many accomplishments, she spearheaded the effort to provide advance directives and other assistance to those facing issues of aging. She is currently a senior partner at Polsinelli in St. Louis where she works with immigration issues.

JOHN E. (JACK) DUNSFORD*
CLASS OF 1956
A School of Law professor for more than 50 years, Dunsford was one of the nation’s foremost arbitrators and labor law scholars. He served as an early and active member of the Labor Law Group of scholars who write labor and employment law textbooks.

VINCENT C. IMMEL*
The most revered professor and former dean of the School of Law, Immel left his imprint on generations of lawyers throughout his 45 years of teaching. He served as a model for teaching excellence, for professionalism and for making teaching a form of public service.

SANDRA H. JOHNSON
PROFESSOR EMERITA
A professor emerita, former interim dean and University provost, Johnson was the founding director of SLU LAW’s Center for Health Law Studies, the nation's premier health law program. She is the co-author of the casebook “Health Law: Cases, Materials and Problems,” which has been used in more than 150 universities and cited more than 500 times in scholarly articles and judicial opinions, including several times by the U.S. Supreme Court.

THE HON. THEODORE McMILLIAN*
CLASS OF 1949
McMillian was the first African-American to serve on the Missouri Court of Appeals and on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. He was a trailblazer for diversity and inclusion in the profession and community as a whole, whose record demonstrates his commitment to social justice.

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Michael D. O’Keefe
Class of 1961

A partner at the law firm Thompson Coburn, O’Keefe is a former University trustee, serves on the board of directors for the St. Patrick’s Center, is chairman for the Knights of the Cauliflower Ear and is a director of the Archbishop May Society. A trial lawyer in St. Louis for 50 years, he is a thought leader in maritime practice and a distinguished commercial trial lawyer.

John C. Shepherd*
Class of 1951

A former president of the American Bar Association and chairman of the Hoover Institution, a research organization at Stanford University, Shepherd also served as president of the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis (BAMSL). BAMSL honors his legacy of professionalism by annually awarding the John C. Shepherd Professionalism and Ethics Award.

Peter W. Salsich Jr.
Class of 1965

Salsich is professor emeritus at SLU LAW, where he taught for 45 years and served as associate dean for academic affairs and student services, as well as held a joint appointment in the Department of Public Policy Studies in the College of Public Service. He helped create the Missouri Housing Development Commission.

The Hon. Paul J. Simon
Class of 1960

A longtime public servant with a passion for politics, after working in private practice Simon was elected to the Missouri House of Representatives and later the City of St. Louis Board of Alderman. He was appointed to the Missouri Court of Appeals where he served for 24 years until his retirement in 2003.

Eileen H. Searls
Professor Emerita

Granted professor emerita status after serving as director of the Omer Poos Law Library for 48 years, Searls is credited for building the library’s vast collection. She was the first woman at the School of Law to be promoted to full professor and the first to receive tenure.

Jon A. Theobald
Class of 1970

Currently chairman and CEO of Mairs and Power, Inc., a Minnesota investment advisory firm, Theobald oversees all aspects of the firm’s business with more than 40 years of industry-related experience. From the early days of his career, he has been active with numerous civic and charitable organizations in St. Paul.

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DECEMBER 17, 2015

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1960
HON. PAUL J. SIMON was inducted into the SLU LAW Order of the Fleur de Lis Hall of Fame.

1961
MICHAEL D. O’KEEFE was inducted into the SLU LAW Order of the Fleur de Lis Hall of Fame.

1962
JACK M. BRAY was inducted into the SLU LAW Order of the Fleur de Lis Hall of Fame. Bray’s book, “The Tudor of Wolfpack and the Roots of Irish America,” will be published in April 2016.

1964
JOSEPH P. GILJUM was named by Best Lawyers in America as the 2016 Lawyer of the Year in St. Louis in the categories of litigation and controversy: tax. He was also listed in the 2015 Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers.

1965
PETER SALSICH JR. was inducted into the SLU LAW Order of the Fleur de Lis Hall of Fame.

1968
ROBERT SCOUlar was elected chairperson-elect of Executive Service Corps of Southern California, a nonprofit organization that provides management consulting, coaching and capacity building to over 140 Southern California nonprofits annually. Additionally, he was named a 2015 Nonprofit Organization Corporate Counsel Honoree by the Los Angeles Business Journal for his work as vice president-general counsel of the Greater Los Angeles Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.

1969
JAMES VIRTEL, of Armstrong Teasdale, was featured in the 2015 edition of Chambers USA in the area of litigation: general commercial.

1970
JON A. THEOBALD was inducted into the SLU LAW Order of the Fleur de Lis Hall of Fame.

1971
HON. KATHIANNE KNAUP CRANE was inducted into the SLU LAW Order of the Fleur de Lis Hall of Fame.

1972
PAUL M. MALONEY was appointed by Gov. Jay Nixon to the Board of Election Commissioners for the City of St. Louis. His term will end Jan. 10, 2017.

1973
KEVIN O’MALLEY received the Global Ambassador award from World Trade Center St. Louis.

1974
DOREEN D. DODSON was inducted into the SLU LAW Order of the Fleur de Lis Hall of Fame.

GARY SARACHAN was named to the 2016 Best Lawyers in America in the area of commercial litigation.

1974
G. TRACY MEHAN III was named American Water Works Association’s executive director of government affairs. He leads the association’s legislative, regulatory and advocacy efforts. He also co-authored “Best of the Books: Reflections on Recent Literature in Natural Resources and the Environment,” published by the Environmental Law Institute.

FRANCIS X. O’CONNOR became the immediate past president of the Pennsylvania Bar Association on May 8, 2015.

LUTHER W. SIMMONS was selected as an associate judge in Madison County, Illinois. He was selected to serve in the 3rd Judicial Circuit.

DANIEL SOKOL was named to both the 2015 Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers and the 2016 Best Lawyers in America in the area of family law.

ARLENE ZAREMBKA received the Ethical Society of St. Louis’ 2015 Ethics in Action Award. The award is presented annually to recognize individuals whose life and achievements improve the lives of others. She is known for successfully defending the civil liberties of low-income residents threatened with condemnation and relocation. Since the 1980s she has been an advocate for the rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender citizens, winning a key victory in overturning a St. Louis city ordinance forbidding people to cross-dress. In 2014, she and her spouse were among the plaintiffs in a lawsuit demanding Missouri recognize their valid same-sex marriage.

1970
JAMES VIRTEL, of Armstrong Teasdale, was featured in the 2015 edition of Chambers USA in the area of litigation: general commercial.
marriages from other states or countries.

1975
SUSAN E. BLOCK, family law attorney at Paule, Camazine & Blumenthal, was appointed to serve on the Missouri Supreme Court Commission on Racial and Ethnic Fairness as part of the Juvenile Subcommittee.

Charles S. Elbert, partner at Shands, Elbert, Gianoulakis & Giljum, LLP, was named to the 2016 Best Lawyers in America for his work in labor and employment law. He was also listed in the 2015 Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers.

1976

TIM NOELKER was named to the 2016 Bar Association.

BRUCE AYDT was named a winner of 1978 Benchmark Litigation. Defeo sits as a volunteer judge pro temp for the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County as part of their major jury settlement program.

1977

HON. DONALD MCCULLIN was appointed as Ferguson, Missouri’s municipal judge.

ROBERT MCCULLOCH, St. Louis County prosecuting attorney, received the Missouri Bar’s Missouri Association of Prosecuting Attorneys Prosecutor of the Year Award.

1978

BRUCE AYDT was named a winner of the 2015 Corporate Counsel Award for Real Estate by St. Louis Business Journal.

DAVID D. CRANE joined the law firm Danna McKitrick as principal. He serves major corporations, business owners, officers and directors, contractors, sureties, and insurers through all phases of complex civil trials and appeals. He also handles major construction cases.

1979

RAYMOND R. FOURNIE was re-elected to serve on Armstrong Teasdale’s executive committee. He is a member of the firm’s litigation practice group.

1980

TIMOTHY CASEY, of Collins Einhorn Farrell PC, was named to the 2016 Best Lawyers in America. He was also named to the 2015 Michigan Super Lawyers.

1981

REUBEN SHELTON, senior litigation counsel at Monsanto Company, was the recipient of the 2015 Ronda R. Williams Award for community involvement from the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis.

MARK D. HASSAKIS, of Hassakis & Hassakis, P.C., was appointed to the board of the Lawyers Trust Fund of Illinois by the Illinois State Bar Association.

1982

DANA BOENTE was nominated by President Barack Obama to serve as a U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia and confirmed by the U.S. Senate on Dec. 16, 2015.

JOHN DEFOE is self-employed as an arbitrator/mediator since his retirement from Nationwide Insurance Company Trial Division. He also guest lectures for colleges and presented a Pennsylvania-accredited CLE on ADR/mediation. Defoe sits as a volunteer judge pro temp for the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County as part of their major jury settlement program.

1983

WILLIAM J. BRUIN JR. joined Danna McKitrick, P.C. as principal. He practices in the areas of real estate, real estate development and real estate tax appeals; banking and finance; Section 1031 like-kind exchanges; and corporate law.

1984

A.J. CHIVETTA III is a founding member of Selequity, an online commercial real estate crowdfunding platform that connects accredited investors to commercial real estate projects across the country. Selequity launched for the first time on stage at the 2015 TechCrunch Disrupt Conference in New York City.

KEVIN EVANS, of Armstrong Teasdale, was featured in the 2015 edition of Chambers USA in the area of litigation: general commercial.

1985

JEFFREY BASHUK, of Bashuk & Glickman, LLP received the Special Recognition to a Volunteer Award from DeKalb Volunteer Lawyers Foundation. This award is given to those volunteers who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to achieving the goals of the foundation and is also in recognition of his dedication and service in pro bono legal representation as a guardian ad litem since 1987.

RABBI JOSEPH FRED BENSON recently retired as the first Supreme
Court Archivist for the Supreme Court of Missouri. He also serves on the History Committee of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri chaired by Senior U.S. District Judge E. Richard Webber.

**Patrick Bira** managed completion of affiliation between Lincoln County Medical Center in Troy, Missouri with Mercy Hospital St. Louis.

**Jane Cohen,** owner of the Law Offices of Jane Cohen LLC, was named St. Louis Franchise Law Lawyer of the Year in the 2016 Best Lawyers in America. Her legal practice is primarily dedicated to the organization and general representation of businesses and their owners with an emphasis on franchise/distribution law and real estate law.

**Robert Devereux** joined Danna McKitrick, P.C. as principal. With more than 30 years of experience in commercial litigation and corporate law, his areas of practice include securities, banking and finance, real estate, insurance, probate, and appeals. He is the chief executive officer of Gateway Title Company, Inc., and is a founding member and member of the board of directors for Triad Bank.

**Hon. Andrew J. Gleeson,** resident circuit judge, was elected as the 53rd president of the St. Clair County, Illinois, Bar Association for the 2015-2016 term.

**Thomas J. Magee,** a partner at Hepler Broom, LLC, was listed in Super Lawyers St. Louis’ Top 50 and Missouri Super Lawyers Top 100. He focuses on trials involving complex business litigation matters including products liability, professional liability, commercial litigation, personal injury, automobile and trucking.

**1986**

**John G. Simon,** of The Simon Law Firm, was awarded the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis’ Distinguished Lawyer Award at its Law Day 2015 Luncheon and Award Ceremony. The award is given to a lawyer who has made a great and lasting contribution to the St. Louis region in the area of law and community service, motivated other lawyers to work in the public interest and who exemplifies lawyers as good citizens contributing significantly to the community.

**1987**

**Matthew Geekie,** senior vice president, secretary and general counsel at Graybar, was named a 2015 Corporate Counsel Winner in the innovation category by St. Louis Business Journal.

**John Beulick,** of Armstrong Teasdale, was featured in the 2015 edition of Chambers USA in the area of intellectual property.

**Hon. Theresa Burke** was nominated by Gov. Jay Nixon to the panel for St. Louis Circuit Court Judge.

**David Corwin,** of Sher Corwin Winters LLC, was named to the 2016 Best Lawyers in America in the area of commercial litigation.

**Amy Hirsch Diemer** joined Catholic Legal Assistance Ministry (CLAM) as managing attorney. CLAM is located within the SLU LAW building and provides pro bono representation to low income people who need representation in areas of family law, immigration, veteran’s rights, housing and other areas.

**Julie O’Keefe,** of Armstrong Teasdale, was featured in the 2015 edition of Chambers USA in the area of environmental law.

**Mary Reitz,** of Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale PC, was appointed to the executive committee of the Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers.

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**Class Notes**

**Save the Date:**

**October 19-22, 2016**

2016 SLU LAW Alumni Networking Event in Dublin, Ireland

Please mark your calendars to join fellow SLU LAW alumni this October to explore legal and cultural institutions in Dublin, Ireland. For four days, SLU LAW alumni will interact with members of the Irish bench and bar, explore the sights of Dublin and network with other alumni. The headline event will include a reception at the U.S. Ambassador’s Residence in Phoenix Park at the invitation of the Honorable Kevin F. O’Malley (73), U.S. Ambassador to Ireland.

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STEPHEN R. WIGGINGTON, U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, will join Armstrong Teasdale in January 2016. He will join the firm’s St. Louis office focusing on large commercial class action suits, complex litigation involving corporate malfeasance, and qui tam cases. He also has experience representing municipalities and other governmental entities as well as colleges and universities in a wide range of litigation matters.

1989
DEBORAH HENRY, of Stewart, Mittleman, Heggie, Henry & Albin, LLC, received The F. Wm. McCalpin Pro Bono Award from Legal Services of Eastern Missouri.

1990
KARIE E. CASEY joined the law firm Morrow Willnauer Klosterman Church, LLC. She focuses her practice in the defense of employers and insurers in workers’ compensation matters.

TODD HAMBY, of Capes Sokol, was named to the 2016 Best Lawyers in America in the area of commercial litigation.

JAMES MELLO, of Armstrong Teasdale, was featured in the 2015 edition of Chambers USA in the area of real estate.

1991
STEPHEN R. CLARK, of the law firm Runnymede, was recognized as a 2015 Super Lawyer in the area of complex business litigation for the eighth time and the seventh consecutive year.

1992
MARTIN L. DAESCH, of Sandberg Phoxeni & von Gontard, was honored by Missouri Lawyers Weekly with a 2015 mentor award.

JANE DUEKER joined Spencer Fane as of counsel in the governmental affairs practice group. In addition to her law practice, she is a regular fill-in host and political analyst on KMOX radio in St. Louis.

TODD PALMER, partner at Michael Best & Friedrich LLP in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was admitted into the American College of Environment Lawyers.

1993
CHRISTOPHER RAUSCH joined Lockard Cos. as senior vice president and general counsel.

SCOTT TROUT was named a 2015 Missouri Super Lawyer in the area of domestic relations.

1994
MARTIN W. SIEMER was elected as an at-large circuit judge for the Fourth Judicial Circuit in Illinois.

1995
RICHARD BRIDGE, of Armstrong Teasdale, was featured in the 2015 edition of Chambers USA in the area of intellectual property.

CHRISTOPHER GOFF, of Armstrong Teasdale, was featured in the 2015 edition of Chambers USA in the area of intellectual property.

JOY HOLLEY, of Bryan Cave LLP, was awarded the 2015 Presidential Award by the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis.

1996
HON. NICOLE J. COLBERT-BOTCHWAY was appointed associate circuit judge for the 22nd Judicial Circuit, which covers the City of St. Louis, by Gov. Jay Nixon. She also received a 2015 President’s Award from the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis.

HON. CRAIG CONCANNON was appointed a St. Louis County Municipal Judge for the West and North Divisions.

JENNIFER DAVIS, of Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, PC, was named to the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC) of Fellows. She leads the firm’s trusts and estate planning practice group.

GERALD “JAY” KONKEL was promoted to partner at Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP. He counsels and represents corporate policyholders in the recovery of insurance assets for medical device, toxic tort, environmental, business interruption, product recall and other liabilities.

HON. ELLEN “NELLIE” RIBAUDO was appointed by Gov. Jay Nixon to fill the vacancy as circuit judge in St. Louis County in the 21st Judicial Circuit.

ROBERT S. SMITH won re-election as the Hinds County (Mississippi) District Attorney, a position he has held since 2008.

1998
WILLIAM “BILL” BOLSTER, of Lewis Rice, was the recipient of the 2015 Superhero for Kids award by the nonprofit St. Louis Arc.

ROBERT KENNEY was appointed vice president, CPUC Regulatory Relations at Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

ANNETTE SLACK was named by St. Louis County Executive Steve Stenger to lead the Office of Community Empowerment.

1999
AMY GABRIEL joined Gori Julian & Associates, P.C. in the firm’s Edwardsville, Illinois office. She focuses her practice on complex asbestos cases and personal injury litigation.

BETH GORI joined Gori Julian & Associates, P.C. in the firm’s Edwardsville, Illinois office. She focuses her practice on complex asbestos cases and personal injury litigation.

RICHARD SCHUTH, of Armstrong Teasdale, was featured in the 2015 edition of Chambers USA in the area of intellectual property.

2000
KRISTINE BRIDGES, of Thompson Coburn LLP, received the 2015 Missouri Bar Pro Bono Publico Award, in recognition for her exemplary professional commitment to pro bono service.

BETH CONRAN, of Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C., was named a Future Star (Missouri) by Benchmark Litigation.

MARCUS A. HELT, of the law firm
Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP, was named to the 2016 Best Lawyers in America list.

**JO ANNA POLLOCK**, of Simmons Hanly Conroy, was honored by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as a 2015 Up & Coming Attorney. She is a member of the environmental litigation team in Alton, Illinois.

**DOROTHY WALSH RIPKA** was inducted into the 2015 Prairie Stars Hall of Fame.

**TROY WALTON**, of Schoen Prairie Telken & Foster in Edwardsville, Illinois, was selected as an Emerging Lawyer by Leading Lawyers in Illinois.

**SARAH HOLDENER** joined FKG Oil Company as in-house counsel.

**MAJOR ADAM KAZIN** was recently promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and serves as the Regional Defense Counsel – Southeast for U.S. Army Trial Defense Service.

**2001**

**SARAH HOLDENER** joined Lathrop & Gage in the firm's St. Louis office. He works with clients on a variety of real estate matters ranging from public financing and litigation to municipal and public law and government affairs.

**SANDER C. SQUIRES**, of Greensfelder Hemker & Gale, P.C., was named a Local Litigation Star (Missouri) by Benchmark Litigation.

**2002**

**MARGARET FOWLER** was named a Rising Star in the 2015 Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers in the area of personal injury general: defense.

**MANDY KAMYKOWSKI**, a partner at Kamykowski, Gavin & Smith, was honored as a 2015 Up & Coming Lawyer by Missouri Lawyers Weekly.

**JOSHUA REINERT** was promoted to shareholder at Carmody MacDonald, P.C. He concentrates his practice in the areas of banking, finance and real estate law.

**MICHAEL YOUNG**, of Hepler Broom LLC, was listed in the 2015 Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers in the area of insurance coverage.

**2003**

**MARIQUITA BARBIERI** joined Carmody MacDonald as principal. She concentrates her practice in corporate law, mergers and acquisitions, securities offerings, real estate and other commercial transactions.

**JEFFREY BASH**, of Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard and Smith LLP, was named to the 2016 Best Lawyers in America in the area of mass tort litigation/class actions: defendants.

**DAWN MEFFORD-BESSERMAN** received a 2015 Presidential Award from the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis.

**KEVIN SULLIVAN** was named a Rising Star by Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers in the area of business litigation.

**2004**

**CHRISTINA LEWIS ABATE** was named director of LPL Underwriting at The Bar Plan.

**SUNIL BHAVE** is an assistant attorney general in the Illinois Attorney General's Office, practicing in the area of civil rights law. He was also elected to sit on the board of education of Community Consolidated School District No. 59, Elk Grove Township, Illinois, serving students in K-8.

**JOHN F. MAHON JR.**, of Williams Venker & Sanders, LLC, was named to the 2016 Best Lawyers in America. He was also named a Rising Star by Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers.

**HON. MICHAEL NOBLE** was appointed by Gov. Jay Nixon as circuit judge for the 22nd Judicial Circuit.

**SHAWN PINKSTON** was elected to the city council in Charleston, South Carolina. He is an associate in the Charleston office of Hall Booth Smith.

**DANIEL SCHOEKENASE** joined Aegion Corporation as vice president and general counsel, infrastructure solutions.

**EMILY SUTTON** joined the firm of Lucie & Scalf in Macomb, Illinois, focusing her practice on family, appellate and civil law. She has also joined the board of the Appellate Lawyers Association in Illinois.

**2005**

**RITU COOPER** joined Hall, Render, Killian, Health & Lyman as shareholder in the firm. Her practice consists of representing health care providers in litigation, regulatory and compliance matters with a particular focus on fraud and abuse and compliance, as well as internal and government investigations.

**SETH CROMPTON** was named partner at the Holland Law Firm in St. Louis.

**F. JOHN GRIFFITH** was promoted to vice president and general counsel of Culligan International Company.

**MATTHEW S. LAYFIELD** was elected as shareholder in the St. Louis office of Polsinelli. He concentrates his practice area in loan enforcement and financial services.

**MATTHEW NOCE** named a Rising Star in the 2015 Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers in the area of civil litigation defense.

**2006**

**THOMAS DOWLING**, partner at Stinson Leonard Street, recently completed the Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce - Centurions Leadership Program in Kansas City, Missouri.

**EMILY FILMORE** released two non-fiction books, “The Marvelous Transformation: Living Well with Autoimmune Disease” and “Conversations with God for Parents.”

**MATT MELTON** was appointed to serve as drug court commissioner for the 22nd Judicial Circuit. Prior to his appointment, he served in the...
Missouri Public Defender’s Office in the City of St. Louis.

ERIN PHILLIPS was named a Rising Star in the 2015 Illinois Super Lawyers.

2007

ANNE-MARIE BROCKLAND, of The Simon Law Firm, P.C., received the Missouri Bar Lon O. Hocker Trial Lawyer Award.

ANTHONY S. BRUNING JR., an associate at Leritz, Plunkert & Bruning, was honored by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as a 2015 Up & Coming Attorney.

MEGHAN LAMPING was promoted to principal at Carmody MacDonald P.C. She concentrates her practice in the area of business litigation, representing business owners and individuals in commercial, contract, and shareholder disputes, in addition to a variety of other matters.

KILBY CANTWELL MACFADDEN was sworn in as secretary of the Women’s Bar Association of Illinois for the 2015-2016 Bar Year. She serves as an assistant attorney general in the Public Integrity Bureau in the Office of the Attorney General.

CHRISSI SCELSI was elected chair of the Executive Council of the Entertainment, Arts, and Sports Law Section of the Florida Bar.

DAVID WILKINS and his wife Katy welcomed the arrival of their first child, Alexandria Rose Wilkins, on Aug. 13, 2015. He is an assistant attorney general for the State of Utah in Salt Lake City.

2008

RAVEN AKRAM joined Macy’s law department as counsel.

KEVIN M. CARNIE JR., of The Simon Law Firm, was honored by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as a 2015 Up & Coming Attorney.

DAVID DETERING was named a 2015 Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyer in the area of civil litigation defense.

TERRENCE O’TOOLE JR., of Williams Venker & Sanders, was honored by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as a 2015 Up & Coming Attorney.

ANDREW J. VOSS was elected shareholder in the St. Louis office of Polsinelli. He practices in the firms Health Care Services group.

FALON M. WRIGLEY joined Armstrong Teasdale as a member of the firm’s labor and employment group, where she provides practical, sophisticated advice to complex legal problems unique to the workplace.

2009

MATTHEW DIEHR, of Husch Blackwell LLP, was selected for The Missouri Bar Leadership Academy’s Class of 2015-2016.

LIZ GRANA, of Behr, McCarter & Potter, P.C. was inducted into the 2015 Knox-Lombard College Athletic Hall of Fame. She holds the career rebounding record for Knox women’s basketball and is also in the top 12 in career scoring for Knox women’s basketball.

KARA KRAWZIK joined Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C. as an associate in the ERISA/employee benefits practice group. Her experience includes representing pension plans and building relationships with the public-sector employees who form them. She is a member of the National Association of Public Pension Attorneys.

KAREN RIPPELMeyer joined Lathrop & Gage LLP as an associate, focusing her practice on real estate and tax credit financing.

LAUREN M. WACKER joined Lathrop & Gage LLP as an associate, focusing her practice on business, employment, real estate and tort litigation.

2010

SALIM E. AWAD joined Coulter Lamson, LLC, focusing his practice on family law and litigation.

SHEENA HAMILTON joined Dowd Bennett LLP as an associate, focusing her practice on employment and complex commercial litigation as well as corporate internal investigations.

MARKUS CICKA, of Stinson Leonard Street, was named vice president of the Missouri Society of Health Care Attorneys.

CHRIS FINNEY, of the Finney Law Office, was honored by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as a 2015 Up & Coming Attorney. Additionally, he has been certified as a member of the Multi-Million Dollar Advocates Forum, one of the most prestigious groups of trial lawyers in the U.S.

PATRICK GARCIA, former senior counsel in the Office of Counsel to the Inspector General, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS-OIG), joined LeClairRyan’s Healthcare Regulatory, Transactions and Compliance team. He will be resident in the firm’s Annapolis, Maryland office.

PORTIA C. KAYSER joined the law firm Fisher, Patterson, Sayler & Smith.

ANGELA S. MCQUAGE joined the law firm Blake Law Group, P.C. in Belleville, Illinois. She focuses her practice in the areas of family law, divorce, guardianship, estates and trusts, litigation, as well as general practice.

MATTHEW W. RICHARDS joined MasterCard as counsel of operations and technology.

THOMAS SANFILIPPO, founder and principal of Thomas SanFilippo & Associates, received the Top 10 under 40 Attorney Award for the State of Missouri by the board of governors of the National Academy of Personal Injury Attorneys in 2014.

CHRISTOPHER WINTRODE, of SSM Health, was honored by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as a 2015 Up & Coming Attorney.

2011

OLIVER BEATTY is the tribal prosecutor for the Standing Rock Reservation Sioux Tribe and is a special assistant U.S. attorney for North Dakota and South Dakota, prosecuting crimes against women and children.

JUSTIN CARDWELL joined the law firm Roberts, Wooten & Zimmer, LLC,
focusing his practice in the areas of estate planning and personal injury.

SCOTT R. HUNSAKER, of Herzog Crebs, was named a Rising Star in the 2015 Missouri Super Lawyers.

KATHERINE JACOBI was named a Rising Star in the 2015 Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers the area of business litigation.

MEGHAN C. KANE joined HeplerBroom LLC in the Edwardsville, Illinois office as an associate attorney. She focuses her practice on complex business litigation matters, including toxic torts.

ABBI KIRCHNER joined Lathrop & Gage as an associate in the wealth strategies practice.

LINDSEY RENDLEN LATZKE joined McCarthy, Leonard and Kaemmerer, L.C., where she focuses her practice on labor and employment law and civil litigation.

LINDSAY LEIBLE was named a Rising Star in the 2015 Missouri and Kansas Super Lawyers in the areas of personal injury products and defense.

LISA LUETKEMEYER, of Husch Blackwell, was named secretary of the Healthcare Businesswomen’s Association St. Louis Chapter executive board.

GRiffin O’HANLON joined the personal injury firm of Cooper Hurley, PLLC in Norfolk, Virginia as an associate.

ELIZABETH “LIBBY” ORENDORFF joined Husch Blackwell as senior counsel in the firm’s health care, life sciences and education team.

ANGELA SANDERS was hired as general counsel to the Tennessee State Board of Education.

LAURIE WASHINGTON, of Legal Services of Southern Missouri, was selected for The Missouri Bar Leadership Academy’s Class of 2015-2016.

2012

TIM HERCULES was appointed executive director of INTO SLU, a program to increase recruitment and success of international students on SLU’s campuses.

MARK T. KEANEY JR., an associate at Bryan Cave, was honored by Missouri Lawyers Weekly as a 2015 Up & Coming Attorney.

COURTNEY LOGAN, of Lashly & Baer, P.C., was included in the 2015 class of 30 Under 30 by St. Louis Magazine.

J. THOMAS MUDD joined HeplerBroom LLC in the firm’s Edwardsville, Illinois office as an associate attorney. He focuses his practice on complex litigation matters, including toxic torts and product liability.

BEN RIEDEL practices general counsel, enforcement litigation, and insurance defense for HOA’s at Carpenter, Hazlewood, Delgado & Bolen, PLC in Tempe, Arizona.

EMMA SCHUERING, of Polsinelli, was selected for The Missouri Bar Leadership Academy’s Class of 2015-2016.

JESSIE STEFFAN joined the ACLU of Missouri as a staff attorney in their St. Louis office. As a member of the legal team, she will do legal research, and develop and litigate a variety of impact civil liberties cases at the trial and appellate level in state and federal court. In addition, she will support integrated advocacy work combining litigation, legislative advocacy, and public education on the ACLU of Missouri’s priority campaigns.

JUSTIN WELPLY joined the law firm Baker Sterchi Cowden & Rice LLC. He will focus his practice on a broad range of general litigation matters including product liability, automotive, construction, premises liability, toxic torts and commercial litigation.

2013

JOSH BRADLEY accepted a position with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office as a patent examiner at the USPTO’s new Denver location. He also married Danielle Mello on Aug. 14, 2015.

BENJAMIN GRIFFITH was included in the 2015 St. Louis Magazine 30 Under 30 class.

RICHARD W. HILL joined Lashly & Baer, P.C.

SARAH MARKENSON joined St. Louis Economic Development Partnership as assistant general counsel and assistant vice president.

AARON P. MOORES joined the Virginia Judicial System as Magistrate in the 15th judicial district of Virginia.

CHALANA SCALES-FERGUSON received the St. Louis American Foundation Salute to Young Leader Award, the Urban League Young Professionals Young Leader Award, the St. Louis Business Diversity Initiative Fellows (St. Louis Regional Chamber) - Member of Cohort 10, and was elected to the board of directors at the YWCA of Metro St. Louis.

MARIE TEDESCO SCOTT joined Neal & Harwell, PLC, as an associate. Her practice will focus on general litigation.

2014

BRIAN AUSTIN works as tax counsel in the corporate tax department with Wells Fargo in North Carolina.

Natalie Bohleber joined McCarthy, Leonard & Kaemmerer, L.C. as an associate. She concentrates her practice in commercial litigation and general corporate law.

JOHN BOWEN joined Hall, Render, Killian, Heath & Lyman in the firm’s...
Indianapolis office. He practices in the area of health care law with a focus on regulatory, compliance, corporate transactional and physician alignment and integration matters.

**Sarah Boyce** joined the St. Louis City office of the Missouri Public Defender.

**Dylan R. Briggs** joined the law firm Brown and James, P.C., focusing his practice in the areas of products liability, environmental insurance and toxic torts.

**Robert L. Devereux** joined the law firm Danna McKitrick as principal. His practice areas include securities, banking and finance, real estate, insurance, probate and appeals.

**Justin T. Fezzi** joined Husch Blackwell, focusing his practice in the areas of banking and finance.

**Adam French** joined Magellan Health as associate legal counsel in the company’s Maryland Heights, Missouri office.

**Joey Kirchgessner** joined the law firm of Woehrlé Dahlberg Jones Yao PLLC in Fredericksburg, Virginia as an associate attorney.

**Elizabeth Pack** joined the St. Louis office of Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C. as an associate in the firm’s trusts and estates practice group.

**James Ribaudo** joined The Niedner Law Firm, focusing his practice in the areas of appellate litigation, criminal defense, personal injury and family law.

**Christopher R. Scofield** joined Hall Render Killian Heath & Lyman, P.C. in the firm’s Indianapolis office. His practice focuses on providing operational and regulatory guidance to hospitals and health systems.

**Daniel Sheffner**, of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court - Southern District of Illinois, received The Missouri Bar’s 2015 W. Oliver Rasch Award.

**Christopher Stuffle** was named partner at Drivers Defense Counsel in St. Louis. His practice focuses on insurance and risk management issues as well as personal injury and criminal defense.

**2015**

**Katherine Anderson** joined Greensfielder, Hemker & Gale in the labor and employment practice group.

**Rosangela Godinez** is an attorney at Justice For Our Neighbors in Lexington, Nebraska. She also owns Nick’s on the Bricks Restaurant.

**Jay Ji** joined Lewis Rice as an associate, focusing his practice in the corporate department.

**Justin Landendorf** joined Lewis Rice as an associate, focusing his practice in the litigation department.

**Caitlin Schwepp** joined Greensfielder, Hemker & Gale in the litigation practice group.

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**IN MEMORIAM**

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The Office of Development and Alumni Relations highlights why alumni give to the School of Law and the different avenues available to support future legal education at Saint Louis University. In this installment, we take a look at a loyal donor who strives to pass on the SLU LAW legacy to the next generation of students.

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**I GIVE TO SLU LAW BECAUSE...**
As the oldest law school West of the Mississippi (1843), I want to be a part of the rich history and tradition of our school and continue to propel it into the future.

**I AM A LOYAL DONOR BECAUSE...**
In addition to the meaningful relationships and professional successes I have enjoyed because of SLU LAW, I want to do my part to ensure that our law school receives high rankings by *U.S. News and World Report* and other periodicals. While I believe the personal testaments and achievements of our graduates are more powerful than rankings, I recognize that high rankings help attract the next generation of SLU LAW attorneys.

**I SUPPORT THE LOYAL TO LAW ANNUAL FUND BECAUSE...**
When I tell people I attended SLU LAW, I want them to know I am part of a legacy of talented lawyers who are also dedicated to the institution that played a significant role in who we are today. Many deans, professors, alumni and other loyal donors provided me with the opportunity to attend SLU LAW. As did those who helped me on my path, I want to help future students on their paths.

**I ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO GIVE TO SLU LAW BECAUSE...**
I believe all SLU LAW alumni share a common pride in our well-respected school and a common desire to see its ranking continue to rise to reflect the excellence with which SLU LAW transitions its law students into talented practitioners.

To learn more about how you can continue the legacy and support the School of Law, please contact the Office of Development and Alumni Relations:

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